

# **2002** Census of Agriculture Congressional District Profile

## 109th Congress District 15, Texas

**Number of farms:** 16,703

Land in farms: 5,855,429 acres

Average size of farm: 351 acres

Irrigated Land: 242,864 acres

**Total Number of Farm Operators: 24,137** 

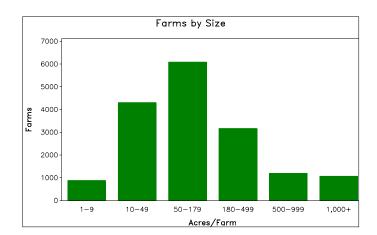
**Market Value of Production:** \$538,217,000

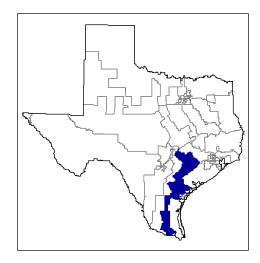
Market Value of Production, average per farm: \$32,223

Government Payments: \$20,511,000

Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments: \$9,648

**Gross Income from Farm Related Sources:** \$24,832,000





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#### Ranked items among the 32 congressional districts in the state, and among the 435 congressional districts in the U.S., 2002

Item	Quantity	State Rank	Universe <sup>1</sup>	U.S. Rank	Universe <sup>1</sup>
MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000)					
Total value of agricultural products sold	538,217	6	32	114	418
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000) $^{\rm 2}$					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	60,689	6	31	86	370
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	106
Cotton and cottonseed	61,908	4	22	18	110
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	60,141	1	30	45	398
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	35,678 18,680	11	31 32	46 200	402 415
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	109	14	22	229	351
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Poultry and eggs	33,590	7	31	107	382
Cattle and calves	214,421	5	32	35	389
Milk and other dairy products from cows	12,595	9	21	182	338
Hogs and pigs	1,459	4	29	148	371
Sheep, goats, and their products	841	8	32	88	379
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	2,959	14	32	88	398
Aquaculture	4,847	2	20	39	320
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Layers 20 weeks old and older	2,266,364	3	31	45	386
Cattle and calves	819,179	5	32	26	394
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	(D)	9	29	(D)	353
Quail	(D)	5	24	(D)	312
Turkeys	34,705	5	29	81	357
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	288,198	8	32	61	391
Sorghum for grain	272,192	4	27	6	242
All Cotton	201,367	4	23	16	112
Corn for grain	143,784	4	29	68	328
All Vegetables harvested	30,070	1	31	31	399

### Other Congressional District Highlights

<b>Economic Characteristics</b>	Quantity
Farms by value of sales	
Less than \$1,000	3,308
\$1,000 to \$2,499	2,904
\$2,500 to \$4,999	2,858
\$5,000 to \$9,999	2,562
\$10,000 to \$19,999	2,087
\$20,000 to \$24,999	550
\$25,000 to \$39,999	796
\$40,000 to \$49,999	271
\$50,000 to \$99,999	570
\$100,000 to \$249,999	421
\$250,000 to \$499,999	197
\$500,000 or more	179
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	528,125
Average per farm (\$)	31,647
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	56,844
Average per farm (\$)	3,406

Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Farming	8,993
Other	7,710
Principal operators by sex:	
Male	14,945
Female	1,758
Average age of principal operator (years)	57.7
All operators <sup>3</sup> by race:	
White	23,185
Black or African American	353
American Indian or Alaska Native	154
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	2
Asian	28
More than one race	43
All operators <sup>3</sup> of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	3,127

<sup>(</sup>D) Cannot be disclosed. (Z) Less than half of the unit shown. See "Census of Agriculture, Volume 1, Geographic Area Series" for complete footnotes.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Universe is number of congressional districts in state or U.S. with item.
<sup>2</sup> Categories are not comprehensive and will not sum to total.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Data were collected for a maximum of three operators per farm.